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a free hand sketch not drawn to scale showing the location of the principal buildings. Enclosure A  
Numbers on the sketch are identified by the corresponding numbers listed below.

- 1) Masaryk Square
- 2) City Hall - stone construction about 80 years old in 1948. It has three floors and a large tower.
- 3) Police Station - three floors, brick construction. It was built in the late 1920's. There is a small jail annexed to the rear of the first floor of this structure. Fire station is also located in this building.
- 4) Labor Office - three floors, stone construction.
- 5) Old Castle - formerly the residence of the Archbishop. It has a high baroque tower. German occupation army stored ammunition in the cellar of this building.
- 6) Kovarska street - paved with cobblestones. Two lanes wide.
- 7) Vodni street - part of it is four lanes wide, ie from the river to near Komensky square (No. 29). The remainder is two lanes wide. The entire street is paved with cobblestones.
- 8) Railroad station for freight and passenger trains.
- 9) Bridge across the Moravia river for motor vehicles and passengers. Two lanes wide. It has a cobblestone deck. This was built in 1945 or 1946.
- 10) Railroad bridge, single track leading to Zborovice. It is of wood construction and about 10 meters above the water level. It is about 25 meters long. It was built in 1945.
- 11) Railroad bridge - single track to Kojetin. It is about 25 meters long and of steel construction. (Bridge No. 9 and No. 10 are separated by a 10 minute walk. Bridges No. 9 and No. 11 are about one-half hour's walk apart.)
- 12) Airfield - It took one hour to run around it. It is frequently used as a drill field by Czech army. There are no paved landing strips on this field.
- 13) Infantry barracks. One major stone building and several smaller wooden structures. The soldiers took about 30 minutes to march from these barracks to the airfield (No. 12).

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- 14) The road from the barracks (No. 13) to the airfield (No. 12) was in very poor condition, two lanes wide paved with gravel.
  - 15) A large warehouse of stone and wood construction. It was used by Czechs to store army equipment. The building is in good condition. It was built in 1939. It is about a 10 minute walk from here to the airfield (No. 12)
  - 16) District Office - stone construction, four floors. It is the largest building in the town.
  - 17) Beet Sugar Refinery. Four floors. Located on the banks of the Moravia River about 200 meters north of No. 9.
  - 18) Brewery - located about two blocks east of Masaryk Square.
  - 19) Hydroelectric power plant located about a 20 minute walk from the railroad bridge (No. 11). The power plant was built in the 1930's. It supplies power for the entire town.
  - 20) Post office, telephone and telegraph building - brick construction, four floors. It is located one block southwest of Masaryk Square. It was built in the 1930's.
  - 21) Two steel transmitter towers. They are located about one-half hour's walk from the barracks (No. 13).
  - 22) St. Marie's Catholic Church. Located a short distance east of the police station (No. 3).
  - 23) St. Mary's Catholic Church - located one block south of the post office (No. 20).
  - 24) St. John the Baptist Church - located about one block north of St. Marie's Church (No. 22).
  - 25) Gymnasium - located about one-half block north of St. John the Baptist Church.
  - 26) General Hospital for the district - brick construction, four floors. Bed capacity about five hundred. Built in 1930's. It is directly across the street from No. 28.
  - 27) Court House and Jail - three floors, stone construction.
  - 28) Insane Asylum - bed capacity about one thousand.
  - 29) Komensky Square
2. Electricity was available and water was supplied by a municipal water plant. ☐

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Enclosure A - Sketch showing location of principal buildings in Kromerize,  
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ENCLOSURE (A)

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West

East

KROMERIZ - Central Moravia,  
20,000 population, center  
of the District

Benešova U.

Moravia  
River

to  
Hulin

South

Free Hand Sketch Not Drawn to Scale Showing  
Principal Buildings in Kromeriz, Moravia  
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